

# November Newsletter

The Autumn term is well underway and Christmas is approaching very fast. We are busy organising all the exciting events that will take place over the next few weeks whilst also making sure that the children continue all the good learning they are engaged in.

Thankyou to the parents who cam to our spelling challenge assembly -the parent/ Governor competition was won by Mrs Natalie Garnham who is a parent and also a Governor. She will go through to our grand final on 18th December along with the staff winner to find our school champion.

After Christmas we will be planning how to celebrate the school's 50th birthday. If you know of anyone who came to the school when it opened in 1968 please let me know as we would like to see if we can invite some old pupils back to the school. Look out for more information about the activities we have planned.

Mrs Lesley Spicer  
Headteacher

## CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

The Christmas activities letter will be sent home shortly.

This year the Christmas celebration will be on the afternoon of 14 December at St Mary's Church, Rowner.



Look out for information coming soon from our 'Friends group' about a Christmas Fayre and how you can help support it.

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## Clothes collection

Our recycling collection will take place in January so please start collecting the following items:

Wearable Clothing  
Belts, Hats & Handbags  
Paired Shoes  
Towels  
Sheets  
Blankets  
Curtains

Jewellery  
Cosmetics  
Bric a Brac  
Household Items  
Toys  
CDs & DVDs

Further information and bags will be sent out in January.

## Donations wanted please!!

Year 1 need your help! Are you, or anyone you know of, storing an unwanted wheelbarrow, compost, bulbs or seeds? Year 1 are starting a community gardening project with Peel House Nursing Home and would love any donations of the above. Please send any donations to Mrs Gingell. Many thanks.



## P.E

We ask that the following Health and Safety measures are complied with

Long hair should be tied back.

No jewellery should be worn.

If your child already has pierced ears we ask you to remove them on PE days. If they have recently been pierced and they cannot be removed please provide tape for them to cover their earrings until it is safe to remove them.

## Switch off fortnight

November is energy month and 'Switch Off Fortnight' is being held in different schools across the country and we have signed up as a school. Starting on the 20<sup>th</sup> November running until 1 December, Switch Off Fortnight will begin! We really hope we can all work together to try and save energy across the two weeks. There will be one session a week of NO POWER HOUR where we will ask the teachers not to use projectors and everyone must try to use as little electricity as possible.

All electrical appliances will have to be switched off when not in use.



We have a box in the foyer to collect old batteries

## School places—September 2018

Parents can now apply for a Year R or Year 3 place for September 2018.

To find out about schools and to apply on line visit [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions) or contact the school office for a paper copy.

If you require any help with the application please contact Mrs Roberts in the office who would be happy to assist you.

The deadline is 15 January 2018.

If you know of anyone needing a Year R place please tell them to contact the office to arrange a visit to the school.



## Nursery places

Places are available in nursery for children the term following their third birthday. Application forms are available from the school office.

If you are working you can apply for the 30 hour child care entitlement, our nursery is offering places on a 30 hour basis if required. For further information please contact Mrs Spicer.

If you know of anyone needing a Nursery place please tell them to contact the office to arrange a visit to the school to come and see our wonderful Nursery.

## Dates for your diaries

w/c 20 November	Appointment Boards for KS1 Parent Evening
w/c 20 November	Switch off fortnight
22 November	Flu injections YR, Y1 and Y2
23 November	Year 1 Cinema trip
w/c 27 November	KS1 Parents Evening
5 December	Decoration workshops
7 December	Christmas Fayre
12 December	Puppet Man
14 December	Christmas concert at St. Mary's church
15 December	Christmas Jumper Day
19 December	Christmas lunch
20 December	Christmas party
21 December	Last day of term School ends at 1.30pm
4 January	First day back Spring term
5 February	Peel Common Infant School's 50th birthday
w/c 12 February	Half Term
15 March	Class photographs
28 March	Last day of term for Easter
29 March	Day closure for nursery & school
16 April	First day back summer term
3 May	Polling- school and Nursery closed
w/c 28 May	Half Term
19 June	Year 2 visit to Portchester Castle
6 July	Day closure for nursery & school
20 July	Last day of term for children School ends at 1.30pm
23 July	Day closure for nursery & school

For all letters and dates go to our website

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